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SUB: GVN ISSUES COMMUNIQUE ON ICCS AND ITS FINANCES

TOKYO FOR AMBASSADOR MARTIN

1. THE FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE WAS ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TODAY, NOVEMBER 14, UNDER THE TITLE: COMMUNIQUE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ABOUT THE PRACTICES OF THE OMMUNIST SIDE TO PARALYZE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION. (14 NOVEMBER 1973).

2. QTE RIGHT AFTER IT HAD BEEN SIGNED, THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 27, 1973 ON ENDING THE WAR AND RESTORING PEACE IN VIETNAM  
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HAS SET UP THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION

TO CONTROL AND SUPERVISE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT.

3. THE FUNCTIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION ARE ALSO RECONFIRMED IN ARTICLE 1 OF THE RELATED PROTOCOL.

4. SINCE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM IS DETERMINED TO SERIOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT, IT HAS BEEN MAINTAINING A REGULAR AND CONSTANT LIAISON WITH THE ICCS.

5. PARTICULARLY THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM'S MILITARY DELEGATIONS TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION AND THE TWO-PARTY JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION HAVE ALWAYS CLOSELY COOPERATED WITH AND WHOLE-HEARTEDLY ASSISTED THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION TO CARRY OUT ITS TASKS. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM HAS DESIGNATED LIAISON OFFICERS TO HELP THE VARIOUS ICCS TEAMS STATIONED OR OPERATING IN ALL AREAS, PERFORM THEIR TASKS OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION; AND WHILE CARRYING OUT ITS FUNCTIONS, THE ICCS INCLUDING ITS TEAMS, HAS RECEIVED FULL COOPERATION, ASSISTANCE AND PROTECTION FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

6. MOREOVER, IN VIEW OF HELPING THE ICCS ACHIEVE THE MAXIMUM OF EFFICIENCY, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM HAS PROVIDED IT WITH NECESSARY FINANCIAL MEANS.

7. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM HAS TWICE MADE ADVANCES OF FUNDS TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION AS SOON AS THE LATTER STARTED OPERATING.

8. THE TOTAL AMOUNTS TO AROUND TWO MILLION AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND U.S. DOLLARS (US\$2,100,000). LATER, ON OCTOBER 22, 1973, AT THE URGENT REQUEST OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR MORE FINANCIAL MEANS TO SETTLE A NUMBER OF PRESSING BILLS, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ONCE AGAIN ADVANCED ANOTHER AMOUNT OF TWO MILLION U.S. DOLLARS (US\$2,000,000).

9. IN THE MEANTIME, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM CONTINUED TO STUDY THE DRAFT OF AN YEARLY BUDGET FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION.

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TIONAL COMMISSION, MADE ALONG THE LINE OF THE ONE SUBMITTED BY THE ICCS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM IN JUNE 1973. THIS DRAFT, APPROVED BY ALL FOUR PARTIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION, INCLUDING THE TWO COMMUNIST PARTIES I.E. HUNGARY AND POLAND, REACHED A TOTAL AMOUNT OF 43 MILLION U.S. DOLLARS.

10. THE STUDY OF THE BUDGET DRAFT WAS INTENDED TO PROVIDE THE INTER-

NATIONAL COMMISSION WITH THE MAXIMUM WAYS AND MEANS TO ACCOMPLISH ITS TASKS OF CONTROLLING AND SUPERVISING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, AS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM WHICH HAS SOLEMNLY PLEDGED THAT IT WOULD SERIOUSLY ABIDE BY THE AGREEMENT. ANOTHER OBJECTIVE OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM WAS TO FIX AN AMOUNT WHICH COULD BOTH MEET THE ABOVE-MENTIONED NEEDS AND THE FINANCIAL CAPACITY OF CONTRIBUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.  
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11. AFTER THAT STUDY HAD BEEN COMPLETED, THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM HAS OFFICIALLY INFORMED THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION THAT, PROVIDED ALL THE SIGNATORY PARTIES OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT MAKE AN EQUAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM WOULD APPROVE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1973-74 AN ICCS BUDGET ESTIMATED

AT 31 MILLION AND 400 THOUSAND U.S. DOLLAR (US\$31,400,000).  
SUCH A BUDGET IS CONSIDERED REALISTIC BY THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM,  
SINCE IT WILL FULLY PROVIDE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION WITH  
NECESSARY MEANS TO CARRY OUT ITS TASKS.

12. THUS, THROUGHOUT THE ENSUING PERIOD OF THE CONCLUSION OF THE  
PARIS AGREEMENT, THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM HAS GONE FURTHER THAN  
IMPLEMENTING ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT, IT HAS DISPLAYED  
ITS UTMOST GOODWILL THROUGH ITS READINESS TO HELP IN EVERY WAY  
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POSSIBLE THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION TO  
DISCHARGE THE FUNCTIONS PRESCRIBED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

13. BY CONTRAST, THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAS BLATANTLY AND PURPOSELY  
VIOLATED EVERY PROVISION OF THAT AGREEMENT. IN FACT, THE COMMUNIST  
SIDE HAS NOT CARRIED OUT THE CEASE-FIRE, CONTINUED SENDING MORE  
TROOPS  
AND WEAPONS INTO THE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, REFUSED  
TO RELEASE CIVILIAN AND MILITARY PERSONNEL WHOM THEY HAD CAPTURED  
AND DETAINED; IT HAS REFUSED TO DISCUSS SERIOUSLY IN ORDER TO ADVANCE  
TOWARDS FREE AND DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS, HAS NOT REDUCED THEIR  
MILITARY STRENGTH IN SOUTH VIETNAM, AND IS STILL PURSUING ITS  
MILITARY ATTACKS FOR GRABBING MORE LAND AND CONTROLLING MORE  
POPULATION.

14. AS PRESCRIBED BY THE PARIS AGREEMENT, ALL THE ABOVE-MENTIONED  
VIOLATIONS MUST BE WATCHED, CHECKED AND INVESTIGATED INTO BY THE  
ICCS. THIS IS WHY THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAS RESORTED TO EVERY DEVICE  
TO PARALYZE THE ICCS WITH A VIEW TO CONCEALING ITS VIOLATIONS AND TO  
INDULGING IN SLANDERING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.  
IN THE PAST, THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAS NOT GUARANTEED SECURITY TO  
THE ICCS, HAS EVEN SHOT DOWN THE ICCS AIRCRAFTS. IT HAS FURTHER-  
MORE NOT HESITATED TO ARREST, DETAIN, MISTREAT AND KILL THE ICCS  
PERSONNEL.

15. BESIDES, THE PRINCIPLE OF UNANIMITY HAS BEEN EXTENSIVELY ABUSED  
BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE WHICH DEMANDED THAT NO INVESTIGATION COULD  
BE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ALL PARTIES.

16. NORMALLY, UNDER ARTICLE 3 OF THE PROTOCOL RELATING TO THE ICCS,  
THE UNANIMITY RULE IS REQUIRED ONLY EITHER FOR THE REPORTS OF THE  
ICCS IN GENERAL OR FOR THE RESULTS OF ITS FINDINGS IN PARTICULAR. BY  
INSISTING THAT UNANIMITY BE ACHIEVED PRIOR TO ANY INVESTIGATION, THE  
COMMUNIST SIDE HAS MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE ICCS TO CARRY  
OUT ITS TASKS.

17 FURTHERMORE, THE COMMUNIST SIDE IS BENT ON CURTAILING THE  
PRESTIGE THE ICCS CONSTANTLY SUGGESTING TO REDUCE THE ICCS PER-  
SONNEL. SINCE THIS PROPOSAL DOES NOT MEET WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE

PARTIES, THE COMMUNIST SIDE TAKES A FURTHER MOVE BY DEMANDING  
THE REDUCTION OF THE ICCS BUDGET, WITH THE AIM OF DEPRIVING THE ICCS  
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OF THE MEANS TO OPERATE EFFICIENTLY.

18. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM SEVERELY CONDEMNS  
SUCH PRACTICES ON THE PART OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE THAT AIM AT  
PARALYZING THE ICCS AND PREVENTING IT FROM TAKING ACTIONS AGAINST  
THE INCREASING VIOLATIONS OF THE COMMUNISTS.

19. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM URGES THE COMMUNIST  
SIDE TO SHOW GOODWILL IN COMPLYING WITH THE PARIS AGREEMENT PARTI-  
CULARLY TO APPROVE RAPIDLY THE ICCS BUDGET AS PROPOSED BY THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM AND TO IMMEDIATELY MAKE  
ITS ADEQUATE CONTRIBUTION TO THIS BUDGET. UNQTE  
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